GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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SHOOTING COMPETITION
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to organise shooting competitions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of countries likely to participate therein; and

(d) the amount proposed to be spent thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA)

(a) to (d): The Government does not organize competitions for sports. Such competitions are organized by the concerned National Sports Federation. National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) is organizing International Shooting Sports Federation World Cup for shot gun events, 2003 and 2003-Asian Clay Shooting Championship in New Delhi from March 15 to 22 and March 23 to 29, 2003, respectively. ISSF World Cup, 2003 is also a qualification competition for Olympic Games, 2004. According to information received from NRAI, shooters from the following countries are likely to participate in these competitions:

ISSF World Cup

Ukraine, Poland, Brazil, Finland, Germany, Great Britain, Slovenia, Netherlands, Italy, Qatar, China, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Czech Republic, Spain, Slovakia, Oman, Fiji, Hungry, Ireland, Bulgaria, UAE, Canada, Croatia, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Thailand, Cyprus Philippines, Iran, New Zealand, USA and Egypt.

Asian Clay Shooting Championship

Japan, Sri Lanka, UAE, Qatar, Hong Kong, China, Saudi Arabia, Thailand and Iran.

As per budget estimates submitted by NRAI, an amount of Rs. 40, 34,200/-is likely to be spent on organization of each of these events. This Ministry has approved organization of these events with financial assistance of Rs.10 lakhs for each event, as admissible under the related scheme. Out of this assistance, Rs.7.50 lakhs has been released to NRAI, as advance grant for each competition.